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APPARENT CONSUMPTION REPORT OF
THERMOSETTING AND THERMOPLASTIC RESINS

ISSUED BY THE
COMMITTEE ON RESIN STATISTICS

AS COMPILED BY ERNST & WHINNEY, WASHINGTON, D.C.

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SECTION I

MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

THE SOCIETY OF THE PLASTICS INDUSTRY, INC.

(In millions of pounds, dry weight basis)(1)

MARCH 1987

RESIN KIND	MARCH				YEAR-TO-DATE				
	Production	Imports	Exports*	Apparent Consumption	Production	Imports	Exports*	Apparent Consumption	Import % of Apparent Consumption
EPOXY RESINS, TOTAL	37	1	9	29	98R	4	28	74	5
POLYESTER (UNSATURATED) RESINS, TOTAL	124	1	6	119	330	1	13	318	0
UREA RESINS, TOTAL	123	3	1	125	337	8	1	344	2
MELAMINE RESINS, TOTAL	18	0	1	17	52	2	3	51	4
PHENOLIC & OTHER TAR ACID RESINS, TOTAL	234	4	5	233	677	12	13	676	2
THERMOSETTING RESINS, TOTAL	536	9	22	523	1,494R	27	58	1,463	2
LOW-DENSITY POLYETHYLENE 0.940 & BELOW, TOTAL	850	77	115	812	2,375	217	232	2,360	9
HIGH-DENSITY POLYETHYLENE ABOVE 0.940, TOTAL	648	7	82	573	1,877	22	216	1,683	1
POLYPROPYLENE, TOTAL	522	1	130	393	1,559	4	357	1,206	0
ACRYLONITRILE-BUTADIENE-STYRENE (ABS) RESINS, TOTAL	99	6	12	93	283	17	35	265	6
STYRENE-ACRYLONITRILE (SAN) RESINS, TOTAL	12	0	3	9	34	1	7	28	4
OTHER STYRENICS	95	6	11	90	277	19	26	270	7
POLYSTYRENE, TOTAL	416	3	16	403	1,174	5	34	1,145	0
NYLON RESINS, TOTAL	44	5	8	41	127	13	20	120	11
POLYVINYL CHLORIDE & COPOLYMERS (DRY RESIN CONTENT), TOTAL	664	14	35	643	1,878	40	103	1,815	2
VINYL ACETATE MONOMER FOR POLYVINYL ACETATE, TOTAL	60	3	5	58	174	8	11	171	5
POLYVINYL ALCOHOL, TOTAL	D(4)	-	-	-	D(4)	-	-	-	-
OTHER VINYL RESINS, TOTAL	19	2	5	16	54	6	12	48	13
THERMOPLASTIC POLYESTER, TOTAL	117	4	9	112	314	6	19	301	2
THERMOPLASTIC RESINS, TOTAL	3,546	128	431	3,243	10,126	358	1,072	9,412	4
GRAND TOTAL	4,082	137	453	3,766	11,620	385	1,130	10,875	4

(1) = Except phenolic resins which are reported on a gross weight basis

D = Disclosure

R = Revision

(4) = The publishing of PVOH data is temporarily suspended.

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Sources: Production – SPI Monthly Statistical Report
Imports – Bureau of Census IM 146
Exports – Bureau of Census EM 546

* = Bureau of Census exports will differ from the SPI exports as published on pages 4 through 11 of this report.

	Import No. (1)	Export No. (2)
Epoxy	409.0200	444.5410/444.5420
Polyester, Unsaturated	409.1000	444.6000
Urea	445.3540	444.5220
Melamine	445.3520	444.5210
Phenolic	409.0600	444.5810/444.5820
Low Density Polyethylene	445.3010	444.1604/444.1606/444.1608
High Density Polyethylene	445.3020	444.1620
Polypropylene	445.5200	444.1700
ABS	408.7200	444.2010
SAN	408.8100	444.2020
Other Styrenics	408.7600/408.8450	444.2050
Polystyrene	408.8420	444.2030/444.2040
Nylon	408.6100	444.1210
PVC	445.4600	444.2310/444.2320
Vinyl Acetate	445.4400	444.2120
Polyvinyl Alcohol	445.4200	444.2110
Other Vinyls	445.4800	444.2330
Thermoplastic Polyester	408.6800	444.1500

(1) Tariff Schedules of the U.S. Annotated
(2) Schedule B